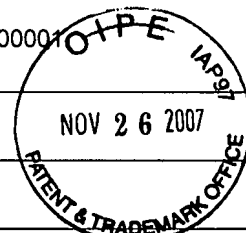


<b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)</b> <b>FY 2006</b> <i>(Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)</i>		Docket Number 100193-00001	
Application Number      10/523,990		Filed      February 9, 2005	
For      STEEL FOR MACHINE STRUCTURAL USE HAVING EXCELLENT CHIP BREAKABILITY			
Art Unit      1709	Examiner      Jie Yang	Confirmation No.      2843	



This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application for three month(s) from August 24, 2007 to November 24, 2007.

The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):

	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$ 120	\$ 60	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$ 460	\$ 230	\$ _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1050	\$ 525	\$ <u>1,050</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1630	\$ 815	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2220	\$1110	\$ _____

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

☒ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

☐ The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any over payment, to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

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I am the ☐ applicant/inventor

☐ assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.  
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96).

☒ attorney or agent of record. Registration No. 47,271

☐ attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34.  
Registration Number is acting under 37 CFR 1.34 \_\_\_\_\_

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